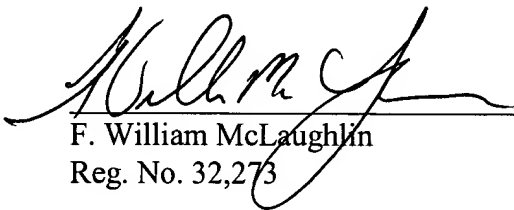


**REMARKS**

Claims 1-28 are pending in the application and are on appeal. By this Amendment, claims 2-9 and 11-28 are amended to comply with a requirement of form expressly set forth in the Office action. This Amendment is being made before filing a brief under 37 CFR 41.33(a). Applicant will separately file a brief in connection with the appeal.

Respectfully submitted,

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